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Training and Experience Evaluation

State Park Peach Officer (Lifeguard)

Department of Parks and Recreation

The California civil service selection system is merit-based and eligibility for appointment is established through a formal examination process. This examination consists of a Training and Experience evaluation used to evaluate your education, training and experience relevant to the position.

This Training and Experience evaluation is a scored component accounting for 100% of your rating in the examination process. It is important to complete the questionnaire carefully and accurately. Your responses are subject to verification before appointment to a position.

Section 1: Tasks

Instructions:

The Qualifications Assessment is a multiple-choice format. To complete this segment of the T&E Examination, simply click on the buttons or drop-down menus provided to select a response option. You must select a response for each question.

Using the rating scale(s) provided below, you will rate your experience performing specific job-related tasks.

Respond to each of the following task statement (#1-22) by indicating how the task statement applies to all your relevant training, education, or experience whether paid, volunteer, etc.

Your ratings are subject to verification based on your application and any other relevant documents you may have submitted. Any stated level of experience or demonstrated capability in this T&E examination may be verified and/or discussed in a hiring interview.

Items in the Exam

Using the rating scales above, select the option that best describes the level of training, education, or experience whether paid or unpaid that you possess for each of the following task statements (#1-22).

1. Coordinating emergency operations using the incident Command System to assess the need for additional resources and staffing to secure perimeters, reroute traffic, conduct crowd control activities, and/or make public announcements.
2. Coordinating and/or conducting emergency water rescues using techniques and equipment consistent with standards to help individuals in need.
3. Monitoring radio communications of staff and other law enforcement agencies to keep abreast of criminal activity, other emergencies to identify where the agencies or other staff may need assistance.
4. Communicating with supervisors to inform them on the conditions of recreational facilities (e.g. day use areas, campgrounds, launch ramps, beaches, trails, vessels, and vehicles, etc.) to ensure the safety of staff and/or the public.
5. Providing orientation and on-going job training to staff under the direction of supervisors/management, on operation activities (e.g., kiosk operations, standards of conduct, time off processes, conflict resolution) to ensure proper procedures are followed.

6. Providing education, information, and clear directions to visitors regarding potential hazards and other safety concerns (e.g., weather related and environmental hazards) by relaying information in person, via phone, or email in accordance with established rules and regulations.

7. Identifying regulations or law violations (e.g., California Vehicle code, Penal code, Code of regulation, etc.) that may affect public safety by patrolling areas on foot, vehicle, bicycle, and/or boat to make arrests or cite in adherence to laws, rules, and procedures.

8. Identifying safety hazards (e.g., hazmat, exposure to communicable diseases, natural hazards, and reservoir hazards) by patrolling areas on foot, vehicle, bicycle, and/or boat and by communicating with staff and the visitors to remedy hazards for public safety.

9. Providing aid to persons in need of rescue by removing them from dangerous situations using rescue techniques and appropriate equipment in accordance with policy and protocol.

10. Transporting arrested suspects to jail facilities or detention centers in conformance with policy and procedures to ensure public safety and to protect the individual's right to due process.

11. Pursuing suspects on foot, by vehicle, and/or vessels to take suspects into custody in a manner that prevents danger to the public and adheres to policy.

12. Responding to calls for service via foot, vehicles, and/or vessels within a patrol area and/or at the request of other law enforcement agencies to assist with potential emergency or criminal activity.

13. Conducting incident investigations by utilizing proper techniques of interviewing, gathering information, conducting searches, and documentation to ensure investigations follow procedures in accordance with policy, laws and regulations.

14. Investigating crime scenes by collecting evidence to report to appropriate authorities and third parties (e.g., District Attorney's Office, etc.), and/or to initiate formal charges against suspects.

15. Conducting physical searches or pat-downs of individuals/suspects for precautionary purposes to detect weapons or contraband to protect the safety and security of others and/or the public.

16. Evaluating injured or impaired persons to provide medical care if needed or take other appropriate action to handle the situation.

17. Performing searches of structures, vehicles, or outside locations using proper investigation and systematic procedures to identify and locate persons of interest or collect evidence.

18. Monitoring drivers, vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclist to identify traffic law violations and to promote safety on roadways.

19. Maintaining evidence, safe keeping, and lost and found items by establishing the chain-of-custody for evidence, transporting, checking in/out, purging/property and destroying evidence (as required) in conformance with law and policy.

20. Ensuring appropriate management staff and outside agency personnel are contacted in the event of an emergency to ensure all available resources are utilized to effectively handle the situation.

21. Writing various departmental reports (e.g., crime reports, etc.) by summarizing information clearly, providing supporting documentation to ensure reports are submitted timely, written accurately, and the information is maintained.

22. Operating computers and utilizing software applications to complete work activities (e.g., report writing, emails, social media, etc.) in accordance with departmental policy.